



**GET  PAST
PLASTIC**



Starting May 4, 2022, New Jersey retail stores, grocery stores and food service businesses may not provide or sell single-use plastic carryout bags and polystyrene foam food service products. Single-use paper carryout bags are allowed to be provided or sold, except by grocery stores equal to or larger than 2500 square feet, which may only provide or sell reusable carryout bags. After November 4, 2021, plastic straws may be provided only upon the request of the customer.

Grocery Store

(2,500 sq. ft or larger)

- **Customers bring reusable bags to the store**
- **Store sells reusable bags**
- **Store cannot provide single-use plastic or paper bags***

This includes:

- ❖ At checkout
- ❖ Curbside pickup
- ❖ Home delivery
- **Bags for loose items are exempt** e.g., produce, greeting cards, flowers etc.
- **Polystyrene foam for raw and deli sliced meats, including poultry and fish trays are exempt****
- **Polystyrene foam for grocery items pre-packed by a manufacturer are exempt**** e.g., instant ramen noodles

Restaurant

(includes fast food and food delivery)

- **Restaurants may provide single-use paper bags**
- **Food served or delivered in plastic, paper, or aluminum containers**
- **Customers bring a reusable bag**
- **Restaurants only provide plastic straws when requested**
- **Restaurant cannot provide single-use plastic bags***
- **Restaurant cannot serve or deliver food in polystyrene**
- **Paper straws are exempt and can be given without a request**
- **Polystyrene portion cups of two ounces or less, if used for hot foods or foods requiring lids are exempt****
- **Polystyrene disposable, long-handled soda spoons when required and used for thick drinks are exempt****

Convenience Store

- **Convenience Stores may provide single-use paper bags**
- **Store cannot provide single-use plastic bags***
- **Exceptions listed above for grocery store and restaurant apply**

Pharmacy

- **Pharmacy may provide single-use paper bags**
- **Customers bring a reusable bag**
- **Pharmacy cannot provide single-use plastic bags***
- **Plastic bags for prescriptions are exempt**

Retail Store

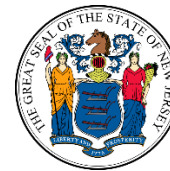
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In homes

- **NJ residents can re-use single use plastic bags at home or in-store**
- **NJ residents can buy and use paper lunch bag**
- **NJ residents can no longer purchase polystyrene plates, cups or utensils.**
- **Plastic utensils or plastic or paper plates or cups are exempt**



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